

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of obtaining an internet connection, the method  
5 comprising:  
    sending an internet connection request from a call center to a  
    vehicle telematics unit;  
    providing an IP address and server call in parameters to the vehicle  
    telematics unit; and  
10      receiving an internet connection at the provided IP address with the  
    server call in parameters from the telematics unit at the call center.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein the telematics unit connects to an  
internet server with the server call in parameters at the provided IP address.  
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3. The method of claim 2 wherein the internet server is controlled by  
the call center.
4. The method of claim 1 wherein the server call in parameters  
20 comprise:  
    a TCP port number;  
    a connection failure timeout, and  
    a service type.
- 25 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the internet connection request is  
provided via telephony.
6. The method of claim 5 wherein the internet connection request is  
provided via the telephony connection when a preestablished connection exists  
30 between the telematics unit and the call center.

7. The method of claim 1 wherein the internet connection request is provided via SMS.

5           8. The method of claim 7 wherein the internet connection request is provided via SMS when no preestablished connection exists between the telematics unit and the call center.

9. A computer usable medium including a program for obtaining an  
10 internet connection comprising:  
          computer readable program code for sending an internet  
          connection request from a call center to a vehicle telematics unit;  
          computer readable program code for providing an IP address and  
          server call in parameters to the vehicle telematics unit; and  
15           computer readable program code for receiving an internet  
          connection at the provided IP address with the server call in parameters from the  
          telematics unit at the call center.

10. The computer usable medium of claim 9 further comprising:  
20           computer readable program code for the telematics unit to connect  
          to an internet server with the server call in parameters at the provided IP  
          address.

11. The computer usable medium of claim 9 wherein the computer  
25 readable program code for server call in parameters further comprises:  
          computer readable program code for a TCP port number;  
          computer readable program code for a connection failure timeout;  
and  
          computer readable program code for a service type.

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12. The computer usable medium of claim 9 further comprising:  
computer readable program code for providing the internet  
connection request via telephony.

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13. The computer usable medium of claim 12 further comprising:  
computer readable program code for the internet connection  
request to be provided via telephony when a preestablished connection exists  
between the telematics unit and the call center.

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14. The computer usable medium of claim 9 further comprising:  
computer readable program code for providing the internet  
connection request via SMS.

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15. The computer usable medium of claim 14 further comprising:  
computer readable program code for the internet connection  
request to be provided via SMS when no preestablished connection exists  
between the telematics unit and the call center.

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16. A system for obtaining an internet connection comprising:  
means for sending an internet connection request from a call center  
to a vehicle telematics unit;  
means for providing an IP address and server call in parameters to  
the vehicle telematics unit; and

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means for receiving an internet connection at the provided IP  
address with the server call in parameters from the telematics unit at the call  
center.

17. The system of claim 16 further comprising:  
means for the telematics unit to connect to an internet server with  
the server call in parameters at the provided IP address.

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18. The system of claim 17 further comprising:  
means for the internet server to be controlled by the call center.

19. The system of claim 16 wherein the server call in parameters  
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a TCP port number;  
a connection failure time out; and  
a service type.